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SUBJ: VISIT OF DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE CLEMENTS

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1. W.B. PRITCHETT, THE FIRST ASSISTANT SECRETARY PLANNING DIVISION, OF AUSTRALIAN DEPT. OF DEFENCE, HAS INFORMED THE CHARGE THAT GOA WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS THE DOCTRINE OF FLEXIBLE RESPONSE WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY CLEMENTS. PRITCHETT SAID GOA HAD NOTED SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S SEPT. 11, 1974, TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE'S SUBCOMMITTEE ON ARMS CONTROL AND INTERNATIONAL LAW AND ORGANIZATION. GOA IS CONCERNED THAT THE PORTION OF SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S TESTIMONY ON PAGE 29 OF THE PRINTED VERSION OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S HEARINGS, 43-540 0, CONCERNING A POSSIBLE SOVIET NUCLEAR STRIKE AGAINST COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS FOR U.S. SUBMARINES COULD RAISE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A SOVIET NUCLEAR STRIKE AGAINST THE NORTHWEST CAPE FACILITY WHICH COULD BE TROUBLESOME FOR THE GOA. HARROP

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